

Grand Valley Public Library Board Minutes

Wednesday, October 11, 2023

Present:

Andrew Stirk, Chair, Township of Amaranth Rep.
Julie Van Alstine, Vice-chair
Brennan Solecky
Amy Steele
James Jonker, Town of Grand Valley Rep.
Joanne Stevenson, CEO, secretary/treasurer

Regrets:

Mary Hatch
Dave Halls, Township of East Garafraxa Rep.

1. **Call to order** 7:00 p.m.
2. **We [I]** would like to acknowledge that we are on the the Haldimand Tract, land promised to the Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) people of Six Nations, which includes six miles on each side of the Grand River. This territory is the traditional territory of the Neutral, Anishnaabeg (**On ish KNOB eck**), and Haudenosaunee (**HOE day na shun ay**) Peoples.
3. **Approval of the agenda.**
MOTION #1: Moved by J. Van Alstine, seconded by B. Solecky, that the agenda be approved.
4. **Declaration of any conflicts of interest.** None
5. **Minutes of the September 13, 2023 meeting.**
MOTION #2: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by J. Jonker, that the minutes of the September 13, 2023 meeting be approved.
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
 - 6.1 Two staff were recognized for their years of service; A. Huson for 5 years, P.Hamilton for 10 years. Presentation given by A. Stirk.
 - 6.2 Budget Draft, CEO is to research stipends for personal cell phones, add to repair and maintenance. Budget Draft will be revised and reviewed at the next board meeting.
7. **Correspondence.**
 - 7.1 OLS Fall Training Bulletin, email (October 10).
 - 7.2 FOPL Update: Government Relations Priorities Update, email (October 10)
 - 7.3 Grand Valley Agricultural Society, email (October 10)**MOTION #3:** Moved by A. Steele, seconded by J. Jonker, that the correspondences of the be received.
8. **Financial Report.**
 - 8.1 **Operating:** Expenses for September, \$25,634.45
 - 8.2 **Operating 3rd quarterly report**
 - 8.3 **Reserve Fund Account**

MOTION #4: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by B. Solecky, to accept the reviewed expenses and financial reports.

9. Committee Reports.

Library Build Committee, CEO is to forward research materials to the committee and a meeting date will be set after reviewing materials.

10. Chair Report.

Township of Amaranth is undergoing a strategic plan and review.

11. CEO Report.

Historical Society will be holding a Silent Auction, October 19th – November 2.

Programs for the fall have started

OLA Super Conference, will be held in Toronto January 24th – 27th, 2024 with the Board Training Sessions on Saturday January 27th, 2024. B. Solecky and A. Steele may be able to attend.

12. New business.

12.1 Community Profile

12.2 Tutoring Policy

12.3 Volunteer Policy

MOTION #5: Moved by A. Steele, seconded by J. Jonker to approve the revised and reviewed, Community Profile, Tutoring Policy and Volunteer Policy.

12.4 Book Sale, set up will be on November 11 at 10. B. Solecky and J. VanAlstine will be able to set up. A. Stirk will ask Township of Amaranth councillors if any would be willing to help.

12.5 A. Stirk will be off on medical leave for approximately 6 weeks.

12.6 CEO performance review will be completed by November 15th by J. Jonker, M. Hatch and D. Halls.

13. Next meeting. Wednesday December 13, 2023. 7:00 p.m. McGinnis Room.

14. Motion to adjourn. 8:47 p.m. J. Van Alstine